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TOWN OF PURCELLVILLE HOLDS ANNUAL EMPLOYEE AWARDS PROGRAM

PURCELLVILLE, Va. May 28, 2015 — On Wednesday, May 27, 2015, the Town of Purcellville held the Annual Employee Appreciation and Awards Luncheon. This program was created by the Town Council over a decade ago to take an opportunity each year to celebrate the hard work, exceptional service and staff's dedication to the community.

Two of the components of this program recognize staff members reaching service anniversary milestones and employees with exceptional attendance. Under the first service award category, the Town of Purcellville recognized fourteen employees with benchmark anniversaries this year. These included the following:

5 Years

Don Carpenter, Water Plant Operator
Jason Didawick, Maintenance Superintendent
Paula Hicks, Staff Accountant

10 Years

John Anderson, Maintenance Team Leader
Jason Chapman, Waste Water Treatment Plant Operator
Corporal Rick Costello, Police Department
Sergeant Guy Dinkins, Police Department
Corporal Paul Kakol, Police Department
Dan Maday, IT Manager
Bernie Snyder, Water Treatment Plant Operator
Alex Vanegas, Director of Public Works

15 Years

Lieutenant Joe Schroeck, Police Department
Sean Grey, Maintenance Team Leader

25 Years

Marty Kloeden, Special Assistant to the Town Manager

In addition to service anniversaries, the Town acknowledges employees who missed less than two days of work based on sick or unscheduled leave. This year ten employees qualified with six employees missing less than one day of unscheduled leave. These included the following:

Terry Andrews, Water Department
Michael McCracken, Maintenance Department
Jason Chapman, Wastewater Department
William Hall, Water Department
Officer Tim Hood, Police Department
Sergeant John Kelly, Police Department
Hooper McCann, Admin. Department
Lieutenant Joseph Schroeck, Police Department
Corporal Ryan Vasconi, Police Department
Alex Vanegas, Public Works Department

Seven years ago, the Town initiated three distinctive individual awards to recognize staff members who have demonstrated exemplary overall performance and commitment to excellence in their role with the Town. Nominations were submitted by staff and the final list was reviewed with winners chosen by a panel.

Seventh Annual Field Operations Employees of the Year

Josh Goff, Operations Inspector/Maintenance Technician

Seventh Annual Town Hall Employee of the Year

Diana Hays, Town Clerk/Project Manager

Seventh Annual Doris Reed Management Excellence Award

Jason Didawick, Maintenance Superintendent

The Town of Purcellville extremely is proud to have this opportunity to celebrate all of our staff at this special event, especially those employees who have reached anniversary milestones in their service with the Town.

The Town of Purcellville, Virginia

Purcellville is an award-winning town of nearly 8,300 residents located in Loudoun County, approximately 40 miles west of Washington, DC. It has been honored for its green initiatives, most recently with the prestigious Siemens Sustainability Award for Small Communities. The Town has an elected Mayor and six Town Council members.

Once a stop along the W&OD rail line, Purcellville has maintained its historic old-town feel through the restoration and maintenance of its many downtown structures, reflecting the Victorian architecture popular during the early 1900s. Today, Purcellville is the economic hub of western Loudoun County and a popular weekend destination for antiquing, entertainment, farmer's markets, wineries, breweries, distilleries and restaurants. More info at www.purcellvilleva.gov.

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